

SHPA - Suffix Hunter PSK Award Series

The SHPA Award Series was devised by the European PSK Club on 1st June 2008. This was to sponsor a series of awards for PSK contacts with amateur radio stations having different suffixes in the callsigns. SHPA-1000, SHPA-2000, SHPA-3000, SHPA-4000, SHPA-5000, SHPA-6000, SHPA-7000, SHPA-8000, SHPA-9000, and SHPA-10000 Awards may be claimed by any licensed radio amateur, club station or DMS/SWL eligible under these Rules who can produce evidence in a form of ADIF log of having contacted/monitored 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000, 7000, 8000, 9000, and 10000 amateur radio stations respectively at the time of application by using any PSK mode. Each suffix counts only once. The suffix is any letter combination after the last number of the callsign. There are 26 possible combinations for "single letter" suffixes (from A to Z), 676 combinations - for "two letter" suffixes (from AA to ZZ), and 17576 combinations - for "three letter" suffixes (from AAA to ZZZ). All unique suffixes having more than 3 letters in the suffix also count for this award series. Special event stations using callsigns without suffixes do not count for SHPA awards. Contacts are valid on or after 1st January 2000. The award manager is Reinhard Lipkow, DK1IO. QSL-cards are not required. Awards are issued to the person or club. The person or club can use any legal call sign. Contacts made from club stations or special event stations count to the credit of both the club and the operator. All stations must be operated in accordance with their licensing conditions. Contacts may be made from any location in the same DXCC country. Credit will be given for contacts made on any of the amateur bands below 54 MHz. Confirmations from the DMS/SWL stations are accepted as confirmed contacts. The submission for credit of any altered or forged log extractions or, equally, bad behaviour on or off the air which is judged by the European PSK Club to bring a particular programme into disrepute may result in disqualification of the applicant from the Award Programme. The award manager reserves the right to spot call sign for inspection of applied contacts. The purpose of this is not to call into question the integrity of any individual, but rather to ensure the overall integrity of the EPC award program. More difficult attained specialty awards (such as SHPA-10000) are more likely to be so called. Failure of the applicant to respond to such spot check will result in non-issuance of the EPC award. The decision of the award manager on this and other matters of dispute will be final. All awards are issued FREE of charge in a high quality PDF format and sent via email to the applicants. Awards can be printed with the highest quality and with optimal performance by applicants themselves. The SHPA award series is issued to the EPC members only. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the award manager. SHPA Award Series Application Procedure

Since 1st June 2008 all claims for the EPC awards should be made using our UltimateEPC Award Management Software written by DK5UR. The award applicant should re-submit his application when claiming for higher classes of awards. The award manager will keep all your records in our database. Please make sure before you submit your ADIF log that you have checked it with the appropriate software.